

Appln. No. 09/995,227  
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Reply to the Office Action of October 27, 2003

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the specification at page 1, please amend the paragraph under CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS at lines 8-11 as follows:

The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/390,276 filed September 7, 1999 to which priority is claimed, which is now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,358,486 B1, and which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety.